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ISLCA (http://neefin.org/islca) was inaugurated on December 13, 1997 by the NEEF – National Ecology and Environment Foundation Trust, Mumbai (http://www.neefin.org/).

ISLCA is an independent organisation for the establishment of Life Cycle Assessment methodology and application. Furthermore, ISLCA addresses technical, scientific, economic, social, political and public health issues in Environmental Management.

Objectives of ISLCA:

- Establishing LCA framework in India through courses, training programmes, conferences, seminars, etc.
- Integrating socio-economic concepts in LCA.
- Representing India in national and international organisations on LCA and related areas.
- Networking with leading professionals (practitioners and scientists) in LCA and related fields.
- Promoting publications of its planned periodicals, newsletters, videotapes, discs and other communication media.

The ISLCA Advisory Board includes recognised researchers. In addition, ISLCA has several affiliates such as annual and life members, volunteers, consultants, and franchisees for the promotion of both ISLCA and NEEF.

Recent Activities:

Since its inception, ISLCA has actively participated in various events, organisations, and publications. Some of the recent activities by affiliates of ISLCA are as follows:

International Symposium on LCA in the Asia-Pacific Region sponsored by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), Agency of Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), and New Energy Development Organisation

(NEDO), organised by the National Institute for Resources and Environment, Tsukuba, Japan, Nov. 24-27, 1998.

- Third International Symposium on EcoBalance Progress of LCA for a Sustainable Society, organised by ECOMATERIALS Forum, The Life Cycle Assessment Society of Japan (JLCA), JAPAN LCA Forum and supported by the Science and Technology Agency of Japan (STA), the Environment Agency, the Ministry of Forestry and Fisheries, and the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) of Japan, Nov. 25-27, 1998.
- Member of the Report Editing Committee of the "Group Report on Symposium for LCA in the Asia-Pacific Region" sponsored by UNEP, APEC, AIST, and NEDO, 1999.
- Supervised M.Sc. Dissertation on "Life Cycle Analysis of Waste Paper in Mumbai" in collaboration with S. N. D. T. Women's University, Mumbai, India, April 1999.
- Member of the Editorial Board of The International Journal of Life Cycle Assessment (Int. J. LCA), ecomed publishers, Germany, since September 1999.

Publication organ:

Int. J. LCA is the official publication organ of ISLCA: ISLCA has a permanent column in the journal (print and online, which means on the Int. J. LCA homepage – http://scientificjournals.com – and in the forthcoming web edition) in order to disseminate relevant information to the international LCA community. ISLCA and NEEF members can purchase the journal at a discount of 40%.

ISLCA, on the other hand, promotes the journal in any possible respects.

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JLCA Corner (Life Cycle Assessment Society of Japan)

(Int. J. LCA Vol. 4, No. 2, p. 117, 1999) The 3rd International Conference on EcoBalance Tsukuba, Japan, November 1998 Mamoru Morimoto

(Int. J. LCA Vol. 4, No. 3, p. 150, 1999) International Comparison of LCA Methodologies Norihiro Itsubo

(Int. J. LCA Vol. 4, No. 4, p. 194, 1999) The Progress of the Impact Assessment Study Committee in the National LCA Project of Japan Norihiro Itsubo (Int. J. LCA Vol. 4, No. 5, p. 246, 1999) The Progress of Inventory Study Committee WG2 in the National LCA Project in Japan Norihiro Itsubo

(Int. J. LCA Vol. 4, No. 6, p. 310, 1999) The Progress of the Database Study Committee in the National LCA Project of Japan Yoshifumi Nakahara

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